

APPEARING SEPTEMBER 14, 1908, in Vol. 1, No. 1, of the University Missourian, (see below) was a cartoon depicting the birth of this newspaper. That first front page is reproduced from a bound volume of the Missourian presented to the late Charles Arnold, first graduate of the School of Journalism, by Dean Walter Williams. The volume is now owned by Maurice Votaw, a staff member of the nearly 60-year-old School.

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TWO SUITS KEEP PLAYHOUSE DARK

Litigation Over the Columbia Theater on Account of Its Indebtedness.

JOINT MANAGERS IN 'QUARREL'

First Season Was Prosperous, but Disagreement Caused Legal Actions.

The Columbia Theater is in litigation between the owners, and Sheriff Rothwell has the keys. As a result, the Broadway playhouse will be dark for the opening of the theatrical season and will remain dark at least until it is sold by the sheriff at the October term of the circuit court in satisfaction of indebtedness against the company.

The theater is owned by the Garth-Stone Theater Co., of which J. W. Stone is president and W. W. Garth, Jr., secretary. Disagreement between the two as to the management of the house resulted in the filing, last May, of two suits on notes held against the company.

One suit, brought in the name of Mrs. Elvira H. Stone, wife of J. W. Stone, is against the theater company for judgment on notes of \$3,750 and \$5,000. The first note, dated April 22, 1907, is payable to Mrs. Stone one year after date and the second, dated March 6, last, is payable on demand.

Suits for Indebtedness.

W. W. Garth, father of the secretary of the theater company, is the plaintiff in the other suit on notes for the same amounts, bearing the same dates. The \$5,000 note in this case is made payable to W. W. Garth, Jr., and by him was indorsed to his father. The other, for \$3,750, is payable directly to Garth, senior.

Both suits were filed the same day.

JAILER TYSON BEWAILS "DRY" ERA MORE THAN TAINTED MEAT CHARGE

It is Trouble Enough to Have Lost More Than Half His Prisoners, He Sadly Declares.

Hear now the wail of A. D. Tyson, keeper of the city jail. For "Uncle Mike," as he is known to the habitués of the City Hall, is being "investigated." Hard hit by the era of prohibition in Columbia, which has cut down his daily boarders by one-half, "Uncle Mike" feels that he has had his sharp end of trouble.

The first inquiry into "Uncle Mike's" record at the city jail will be made at the meeting of the City Council tomorrow evening, when a report is expected from the investigating committee, composed of Councilmen McDowell, Spencer and Levy.

The inquiry was prompted by a petition to the Council at the last regular meeting from twenty former prisoners in the jail, who protested that while they were in the care of "Uncle Mike" they were fed the "filthiest, dirtiest and vilest quality of tainted meat and half-cooked bread."

"Twixt Devil and Deep Sea.

These twenty citizens of Columbia and Boone county asked that the Council begin an investigation for the benefit of other "unfortunates."

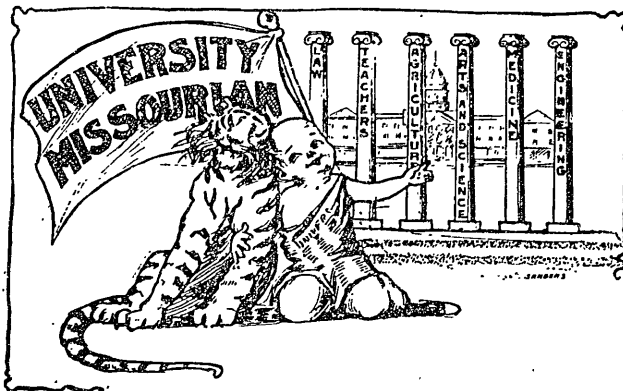
The jailer's only pay is what he can make from the board of his prisoners. The city allows him twelve cents a meal. If the prisoner eats fifteen cents' worth, "Uncle Mike" loses the difference. He gets no salary.

"So you see," says "Mike," "there's no money in it. Before the town went dry, I had an average of eight prisoners in the jail. But now I seldom have more than four."

"Now, this is all rot about the tainted meat. No, I don't mean the meat is rot. I have an affidavit from the butcher that the meat is good."

"In the morning the prisoners get baked potatoes, boiled beef, bread and molasses. At dinner I give them some vegetable—cabbage, maybe—and some more boiled beef. It's about the same for supper, with the boiled beef. But there's no profit in it, since the town went dry."

OUR SIX COLUMNS WILL HELP



NEWSPAPER POETRY IN TURKEY AT LAST!

Until Recently Sultan Feared Treason Might Lurk in "Hidden Meaning."

Whether the new Constitution in Turkey is entirely a blessing may become a matter of dispute when it is seen that, until it was granted, newspaper poetry was banned. The Sultan feared it might have a "hidden meaning," and be treason.

The situation in Turkey became apparent through the answer to a letter from the Department of Journalism to Edward H. Osmun, consul general at Constantinople, asking for a history of journalism there. The answer follows:

"I know of no history of the journalism of Turkey. I imagine that it has no history. Until a week ago, when the Constitution was granted, the press was most strictly censored, and one could not make the statement that H. I. Majesty the Sultan was all-powerful and the policy of the government."

MAN SEES THROUGH EYE OF A RABBIT

Remarkable Feat in Grafting is Successful in New York.

By United Press.

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Dr. Henry R. Lesser last May grafted the cornea of a rabbit's eye to the eye of a blind man. Yesterday the bandages were removed from the eye and it was found that the patient's sight had been completely restored.

Both physicians and patient were astonished at the discovery. For a moment the man could not realize the change that had taken place. He called for a newspaper and read from the print without difficulty. Then he gave way to joy and wept hysterically.

The name of the patient was withheld. He is said to be a prominent broker, who had been blind several years.

C. C. GIRLS TO COME DOWN

TWO DEAD, FORTY HURT IN WRECK

Theater and Excursion Train Collide on Lake Shore Road

ONE COACH PARTLY TELESOPED

Smoke From Wisconsin Fires Caused Signal to be Disregarded.

By United Press.

CHESTERTON, IND., Sept. 14.—Two persons were killed and forty injured near here early this morning when a Lake Shore excursion train collided with another in a fog. Three of the injured are expected to die.

The dead:

MRS. FANNIE MAYCOX, Chicago.

UNIDENTIFIED MAN.

Most seriously injured:

THREE UNIDENTIFIED WOMEN, probably fatally.

WILLIAM SPRING, arm broken, internal injuries.

WALTER ROES, leg broken.

MRS. CATHERINE GILL, hip broken, internal injuries.

PAUL MILLER, internal injuries.

MRS. PAUL MILLER, both legs broken.

SAMUEL SATAMFIELD, probably fatally hurt.

All are from Indianapolis, except Satamfield, whose home is in Pennsylvania.

Coach Is Telescoped

The excursion train had just stopped when the other, carrying a theatrical company, crashed into the rear end. The last coach was partly telescoped and all the occupants were injured. Three women who were unable to give their names will die.

Tele. Shere officials say the wreck

SAYS LEAP YEAR CAUSED SUIT FOR FAILURE TO WED

Mrs. Catherine Clemens Was One to Propose, Declares Eisele, Not He—Bliss of Honeymoon Disturbed.

PRESENT BRIDE ALSO POPPED QUESTION TO AGED FARMER

Two Marital Ventures Made Him Wary, and He Chose at Leisure:

Max Eisele's trouble, as he explains it, is that he received two leap year proposals of marriage within a month. He could accept but one; and Mrs. Katherine Clemens, of Mexico, who was author of the other, is suing him for \$5,000 damages, charging breach of promise.

Eisele is a substantial farmer, three miles northeast of Centralia, just across the line in Audrain county, where he has 240 opulent acres. He is 58 years old, with iron, gray hair and beard, a barrel chest and massive shoulders—as thickset and sturdy as one of the black oaks of his Fatherland.

Mrs. Mattie Waddington, who became Eisele's third bride June 14 last, is the mother of a grown son, while Eisele has three sons, the youngest 19. Both his other wives are dead.

This romance of middle age had flowered happily into the honeymoon, and Mrs. Eisele was beginning to feel thoroughly at home in the neat little green and white farmhouse with the spreading barns in the background, when a sudden disturbing note was